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First MCI-J Career Fest for Inmates Tomorrow, October 11 from 8-3

DPSCS Teams-Up with Md. State Dept. of Education
To Help Inmates Find Jobs

TOWSON, MD (October 10, 2007)---The Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland State Department of Education will hold a Career Fest for Inmates at the Maryland Correctional Institution-Jessup on Thursday, October 11 from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. The event will be the first Career Fest held at MCI-J.

Since more than 95% of all inmates will one day return to society, providing them with education and preparing them to work on the outside is a critical public safety component. This event features education and training representatives and community partners supporting ex-offender employment. Tomorrow's participants include: the Baltimore Mayor's Office of Employment Development; the State Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; apprenticeship providers; regional Workforce Development Centers; community colleges; Goodwill of the Chesapeake; local vocational-technical colleges; the Enoch Pratt Free Library; and the Division of Parole and Probation.

Media wishing to attend should kindly call a public information officer listed above before arriving at the prison. MCI-J is a medium-security institution located off Officer David McGuinn/House of Correction Road and Md. Route 175 in Jessup.

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